

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the "Decision on Appeal" ("Decision") mailed June 3, 2005, Applicant submits the present amendment in order to reopen the prosecution of the application.

In the Decision, the Board affirmed the Examiner's rejection with respect to claims 1, 2, 5, 7, 12-14 and 18-23. In order to expedite the prosecution of the present application, claims 1, 2, 5, 7, 12-14 and 18-23 are canceled by amendment herein.

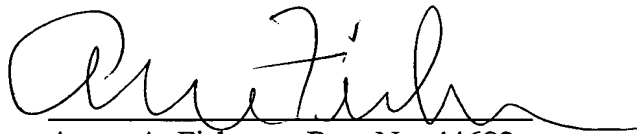
Further, in the Decision, the Board reversed the Examiner's rejection with respect to claims 4 and 24. Claim 4 is amended herein to place it in independent form including each of the limitations of claims 1 and 2.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. 32040US1.

Respectfully submitted,

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